



Lance Cpl. Lindsey Cook, Service Company administration clerk, drives nails into the studs along the outside of a Habitat for Humanity house. Lance Cpl. Alicia Small/Chevron

Depot Marines volunteer to build homes with Habitat for Humanity

BY LANCE CPL. ROBERT W. BEAVER
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Nail after nail, and swollen thumb after splinter, depot leathernecks and sailors pounded away with hammers at a muddy construction site in Escondido, Calif., to help build homes for the non-profit organization Habitat for Humanity, Jan. 24 and Feb. 1.

The Marines helped build homes that are going to be sold to low-income families in the community at 20-year, zero-percent interest mortgage rates.

They helped finish the framing for the roof on one house, while starting the framing on another.

“The Marines are fantastic,” said Allen Wampach, a volunteer coordinator for the San Diego Habitat for Humanity affiliate. “They always have a lot of energy and are very reliable. The superintendents always look forward to working with them.”

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Extended ground security training, OC spray, help ensure depot readiness

BY LANCE CPL. JAMES GREEN
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Today marks the third graduation of the new Ground Security Forces training since it extended Jan. 22.

In the past, GSF was a three-day course designed to basically-train Marines in law enforcement tactics so they can better help the Military Police when needed.

Depot Marines who are GSF trained help provide base security by searching vehicles on visitor's Thursday and graduation on Friday. They also contribute to the safety and success of all major events here by ensuring the MPs are informed of any issues that may occur.

Since the training was changed to a five-day course, Staff Sgt. Antonio G. Lopez, Provost Marshal Office training chief, Provost Marshal Office, said it allows him

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Cpl. James R. Holt takes a stream of oleoresin capsicum to the eyes during the revised Ground Security Force training course Jan. 26. Lance Cpl. Robert W. Beaver/Chevron



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Blinded by oleoresin capsicum spray, Lance Cpl. Maureen Gard savagely attacks a punching pad. Lance Cpl. Robert W. Beaver/Chevron photos

THE OC

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to cover more material, and therefore, better train the Marines in GSF and as MP augments.

During the course, Marines are taught escalation of force, how to properly search vehicles and how to manipulate the M-1014 combat service shotgun.

At the end of the training week the Marine are contaminated with oleoresin capsicum, a more potent form of pepper spray, before completing a circuit course which will in turn certify them to carry and use the spray as necessary.

“The spray felt like my face was burning and someone ripped off my skin,” said Lance Cpl. Adrian J. Guerra, legal service specialist, staff judge advocate office. “I definitely have a sense of respect for O.C. and will only use it if absolutely necessary.”

Lopez said by administering the class to as many Marines as possible, not only will the depot be more secure, but the Marines will be certified in the Monadnock Defensive Tactics System and will better serve the Marine Corps recruit depot as a whole.

“I think this training is extremely beneficial and necessary to expose Marines to the different types of situations they may face as they provide security,” said Guerra, a Houston native.

To ensure the readiness of the GSF trained Marines here, Lopez said random recalls for the security detail will be held to help evaluate response time.

Annual training will be in effect to keep Marines proficient in the duties as MP augments. By offering level II training, PMO allows those Marines who wish to further expand their knowledge in law enforcement tactics the option to do so.

Cpl. Katherine T. Genovese details a mock suspect during the oleoresin capsicum (known as O.C.) portion of the revised Ground Security Force training course. After being sprayed in the eyes, Marines must complete a course that simulates situations they may find themselves as a force protector.



With facial burning in full effect, Lance Cpl. Adrian J. Guerra, a legal services specialist, completes the O.C. spray combat course.

BRIEFS

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program

The depot’s Legal Assistance Office provides free assistance in tax return preparation and electronic filing to service members and their dependants through the VITA program. The VITA center is located at the Legal Assistance Office, Building 12, across the street from the main gym. This will be the only location to receive free tax assistance. Hours of operation are: Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Wednesdays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call (619) 524-4110/4111.

St. Patrick’s Day 3-Mile Fun Run/Walk

Want to run with a little fun? Then join us March 16 for this year’s St. Patrick’s Day 3-Mile Fun Run/Walk. The run will begin in front of the depot recreation center. Enjoy music, great prizes, free beverages and lots of food. To register online, please visit the “Headlines” link on www.mccsmcrd.com

Depot soccer team seeks new players

The MCRD Soccer Team is seeking new talent for upcoming leagues. If you are interested in playing, contact varsity coach Master Sgt A. Hernandez at (619) 524-1980 or varsity sports coordinator Rafa Aceves at (619) 524-8382. All active duty personnel aboard the depot will be accepted. Players at any skill level welcomed.

MTIP Voucher Distribution

On Tuesday, a representative from the Department of Transportation will be here to issue out Mass Transportation Incentive Vouchers. This will take place in Bldg. 111, Base Education Center Room #2, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. If you know you will not be present on that date, please inform Gunnery Sgt. Gary E. Hernandez at the depot Finance Office, Bldg. 29. He can be reached at (619) 524-1723 or e-mail gary.e.hernandez@usmc.mil.

Martial arts instructor course

The Martial Arts Training Facility, Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego, will be conducting a martial arts instructor course from Monday to March 2. The check-in date for the course is today for administration purposes only. Marines will need a completed command screening checklist to check in. The point of contact at the Martial Arts Training Facility is Staff Sgt Schneider at (619) 524-5114.

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Forgiveness key to happy, healthy marriage

FROM WWW.HEALTHYMARRIAGE.ORG
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Why do the people closest to us have the power to offend us the most? Part of the answer lies in our ability to feel the emotion of love. To fully experience the emotion of love, we must first lower our protective emotional walls. Once we lower our walls, we leave ourselves vulnerable to getting hurt. Since no one is perfect, we all do and say things that offend those we love the most. How we choose to react when we have offended, or have been offended by our spouse, will determine if we are able to form and sustain a healthy marriage.

Forgiving and offering a sincere apology are two of the most effective medicines to heal a marriage, although they are not always easy to administer. However, the question you need to ask yourself is, “Do I want to feel anger, resentment, bitterness, pain and misery?” or “Do I want love, peace, joy and happiness?”

To feel these positive emotions, you need to forgive your spouse when he or she offends you and offer a sincere apology when you offend him or her.

In essence, forgiveness is the process of replacing the feelings of bitterness, anger and hurt with love. The following five steps can help you forgive.

- Calm down before speaking to your spouse.
- After you calm down, tell your spouse what he or she did to offend you. In many cases, you will find it was unintentional or a simple misunderstanding.
- Recognize you are not perfect either. Think of the many times your spouse has forgiven you for offending him or her.
- Think of three memories where your feeling of love was especially strong towards your spouse. Whenever you feel bitterness, anger and hurt, think of these three memories.
- Don’t be discouraged when you can’t replace the feelings of bitterness, anger and hurt with love overnight. It may take time. Be patient and don’t give up.

Going through the process of forgiving does not mean you should leave yourself vulnerable to being hurt again by unacceptable actions. Domestic violence is one example of this. If you are a victim of domestic violence, you should seek professional help immediately.

ately by calling the Family Advocacy Program at (619) 524-0465.

It is also important to learn how to offer a sincere apology. There are three crucial steps in making a sincere apology to your spouse:

- Recognize exactly what you did to offend your spouse.
- Develop a plan to not repeat the same mistake again.
- Tell him or her you are sorry.

Some people skip the first two steps and go straight for the third. By doing this, the healing power of the words, “I’m sorry” will lose their effectiveness and make the situation worse.

Think of something you have done recently to offend your spouse and begin the steps of apologizing. Think of something your spouse has done that offended you and begin the steps of forgiveness. Visit www.healthymarriage.org to read the other topics in this series and visit the Family Advocacy Program in Bldg. 6E to get more information on how to build and maintain a healthy marriage.



Sergeant Major Bobby B. Woods, sergeant major, Marine Corps Recruit Depot and the Western Recruiting Region, helped the Habitat for Humanity cause by nailing together a roof of one of the houses depot Marines helped build. Lance Cpl. Alicia Small/Chevron



Second Recruit Training Battalion drill instructors pound away with hammers Jan. 24. Lance Cpl. Robert W. Beaver/Chevron

Lending helping hands

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Among the modest volunteers was the depot’s top leadership, Brig. Gen. Angie Salinas, commanding general for Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego and the Western Recruiting Region, and her right-hand man, Sgt. Maj. Bobby B. Woods, sergeant major, Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego and the Western Recruiting Region.

Side-by-side with junior Marines, the senior leadership helped haul and cut wood and hammer hundreds of nails during each eight-hour volunteer session.

“This was a good opportunity for us to show the compassionate side of the military,” said Navy Lt. Wayne Tomasek, chaplain, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion. “We are an organization of peace and this really helps us show it.”



Brig. Gen. Angie Salinas, commanding general, Marine Corps Recruit Depot and the Western Recruiting Region, nails brackets into a wall, connecting it with the ceiling. Lance Cpl. Alicia Small /Chevron



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Company D recruits use the concealment from smoke grenades to help them advance to their objective during the day infiltration course. *Lance Cpl. Robert W. Beaver/Chevron*



Recruit Eric Lyons, Platoon 1065, Company D, rushes to the next obstacle in the day infiltration course, which consists of several obstacles including concertina wire and a wall to scale. *Lance Cpl. Charlie Chavez/Chevron*



Sgt. Christopher Gomez, drill instructor, Company D, motivates a recruit to move faster as he crawls through a covert obstacle. *Lance Cpl. Robert W. Beaver/Chevron*

DAY INFILTRATION COURSE

Recruits learn to storm enemies at Camp Pendleton field training

LANCE CPL. CHARLIE CHAVEZ
Chevron staff

Behind the concealment of smoke grenades, Company D recruits rushed out of amphibious assault vehicles in teams of four under the sound of simulated machine-gun fire and mortar rounds during the Day Infiltration Course at Edson Range, Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Calif., Jan. 23.

They crawled under concertina wire, jumped over chest-deep holes and scaled a wall, all under the supervision of drill instructors and field training instructors.

"The entire focus of the exercise is to give the recruits a general understanding of what they can expect in combat," Sgt. Michael S. Weber, field instructor, Weapons and Field Training Battalion. "The fire-team rushes stress communication and makes the recruits utilize teamwork."

Recruits that dropped their rifle or placed it on the ground

during the exercise were forced to back track and redo parts of the course to teach the importance of constant rifle control.

The rifle is everything in combat, the difference between life and death comes down to how a Marine treats his rifle, said Sgt. Michael Martin, drill instructor, Instructional Training Company.

Rifle control was only part of what was stressed by the obstacle. The use of various team building tactics laid the foundation for the final test of the recruits' endurance, The Crucible.

"The significance of the course is that the recruits will look to their left and right and realize that they're not in the fight alone," said Martin. "The cohesion between the recruits will carry on into the Crucible and after boot camp."

Once the recruits finished with the Day Infiltration Course, their drill instructors will review the important factors of the missions throughout the rest of recruit training.



Company D recruits use their M-16A2 service rifles to lift concertina wire so the remaining members of their fire team can crawl through unharmed. *Lance Cpl. Robert W. Beaver/Chevron*



Recruit A.P. Camacho, Platoon 1061, Company D, leads his fire-team on a rush.

Lance Cpl. Robert W. Beaver/Chevron



Recruit B.E. Carter, Platoon 1061, Company D, high-crawls under barbed wire during the day infiltration course. *Lance Cpl. Charlie Chavez/Chevron*

Tours in U.S. Army, Air Force prepare 28-year-old graduate for Marine life

BY LANCE CPL. JAMES GREEN
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Making the decision to go through boot camp is not an easy decision for most individuals, but one Company E Marine has made that decision on three separate occasions.

Private First Class James R. Hawkins, Platoon 2105, enlisted in the Army at the age of 18 in 1997. After serving two years and 10 months in the infantry, Hawkins' contract came to an end, and he was honorably discharged.

Hawkins got married and decided to settle down following his tour of duty. Although he planned on getting a job to support his new family, his strategy did not work out as intended.

Finding himself missing the military life, he enlisted in the Air Force only four months after leaving the Army. During his five-and-a-half year tour with the Air Force, Hawkins served in security forces before spending a stretch as an intelligence operations specialist.

He earned the rank of staff sergeant but unfortunately went through an uneasy divorce.

After eight years of honorable service Hawkins made a decision many servicemembers would think twice about. He sacrificed his rank with the dream of becoming a United States Marine.

Hawkins received a conditional release from the Air Force, under the conditions of enlisting in the Marine Corps.

"It's a little hard having to take orders from an 18 or 19-year-old billet

holder after being a former noncommissioned officer with eight years on active duty," said Hawkins, a Ft. Worth, Texas native. "But I made the decision to go through boot camp again, so I suck it up."

His prior service has influenced his ability to follow orders more quickly than many of the recruits in his platoon. His drill instructors knew of his military experience and stressed perfection and encouraged Hawkins to spread his knowledge to the other recruits.

"We expected more from (Hawkins) because he was prior service," said Staff Sgt. Joel R. Garcia, drill instructor, Platoon 2105, Company E. "We used him as a tool to rub off on the other recruits and be a mentor to them."

Garcia, a Petersburg, Texas native, said that Hawkins knew to treat every thing he did as a race and when to not talk, which in turn led to recruits emulating his behavior.

With his choice of joining the Marines, Hawkins lost three ranks, but still considers the whole deal worth while.

"I have had friends die in Iraq and I don't feel like I am doing my part by staying stateside," said Hawkins who will serve as a military policeman. "Even after requesting orders on two separate occasions in the Air Force, I have not stepped foot on the battlefield."

He said with some Marines going over seas two or three times during their first two years of service, he feels he has not done his part in the war having no deployments in eight



Pfc. James R. Hawkins records discrepancies found by inspectors during the battalion commander's inspection. Hawkins has prior service in the U.S. Army and Air Force which has made him an example to other recruits. Lance Cpl. James Green/Chevron

years.

With hopes of serving alongside his brothers in Iraq, Hawkins graduates today in a uniform slightly different than his peers. He stands proudly as he wears a few extra ribbons on his blouse and two service stripes on his sleeve, representing his eight years of

service.

Hawkins' next stop is Marine Combat Training at the School of Infantry, Camp Pendleton, Calif. There he will learn the necessary skills to be a successful war fighter before attending his military occupational specialty school.

Dr. Clarence E. Willie

PARADE REVIEWING OFFICER

Dr. Clarence E. Willie retired from the United States Marine Corps on July 1, 1991, as Assistant Chief of Staff for Communications and Information Systems for the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, N.C.

Willie was born in Wilmington, N.C. to Chief Master Sergeant and Mrs. Charles E. Willie, United States Air Force (Retired). He and his brother, Col. James F. Willie, United States Army Retired, lived on United States Air Force posts and stations here in the United States and abroad with their parents. He graduated from Fayetteville State University in 1967 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in education and from Boston University with a Masters Degree in education in 1980. He received an Educational Specialist Degree from East Carolina University in 1994 and a Doctor of Education Degree from East Carolina University in 1999.

From 1967 to 1969 he taught high school social studies in Raeford, N.C. In September 1969 he entered the Marine Corps and reported to Marine Corps Base Quantico, Virginia for Marine Corps officer training. After completing Officer Candidate School and The Basic School,

Quantico, Virginia, he reported to Camp Lejeune, N.C. for duty.

His operational assignments as a Marine included billets as platoon commander, Communication Company, 2nd Force Service Support Group; Marine Corps officer selection officer, Raleigh, N.C.; commanding officer, Communication Company, H&S Battalion, 2nd Force Service Support Group; commanding officer, Communications Company, 8th Communication Battalion, 2nd Force Service Support Group; deputy provost marshal, Marine Corps Base Camp Butler, Okinawa; telecommunications officer, Defense Communications Agency, Stuttgart, Germany; communications and electronics officer, 31st Marine Amphibious Unit aboard the USS Tarawa in the Western Pacific; staff officer, Research, Development and Studies, Headquarters United States Marine Corps, Washington, D.C.; telecommunications staff officer, Joint Tactical Command, Control & Communications Agency, Reston, Va.; and assistant chief of staff for Communications and Information Systems (G-6) Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, N.C.

He is a graduate of the Marine Corps, Advanced Communication Officers School; the United States Air Force's Telecommunications Systems Staff Of-

ficers Course, Keesler Air Force Base Mississippi; and the United States Army's Command and General Staff College, Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas.

After he retired from the Marine Corps, he resumed his career in public education. He went back into the classroom as a social studies teacher in 1991 at West Craven High School, Vanceboro, N.C. Since that time, he served in the North Carolina Public Schools as an assistant principal, principal, educational consultant and personnel director for the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction in Raleigh, N.C., Assistant Superintendent for Operations in Brunswick County Schools, Superintendent of Schools for Clarendon County Schools, Summerton, S.C. He is currently the Superintendent of Schools for Fairfield County, S.C.

While serving at the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, he wrote a grant which funded a Department of Defense initiative, Troops to Teachers, to recruit, certify and place military members for service as classroom teachers in North Carolina. It was his vision to document the story of the Montford Point Marines and see it take its rightful place in American History. He is the nephew of two Montford Point Marines. With the help of Dr. Melton

McLaurin, Dustin Miller, Heidi Messina and the University of North Carolina at Wilmington television staff, it was done. The documentary, *The Montford Point Marines Fighting for Freedom*, documents the Montford Point Marine experience.

He is married to the former Wilma Cheston, a first grade teacher, of Trenton, N.C. and they are the parents of a son, Clarence, Jr., a United States Naval Academy Graduate and a daughter, Traci, a graduate of North Carolina A&T State University and a captain in the U.S. Army National Guard.



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*Meritorious promotion



Sgt. Michael Martin, close combat drill instructor, explains the Marine Corps Martial Arts Program to educators from Milwaukee and Chicago. Lance Cpl. Charlie Chavez/Chevron photos

Milwaukee, Chicago educators tour depot, view training, mingle with motivated recruits

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High school administrators, teachers and counselors from Milwaukee and Chicago experienced a week long synopsis of Marine Corps recruit training during the first week of the 2007 Educators Workshop this week.

Introduced to the depot like every recruit, the groups started on the infamous yellow footprints with drill instructors.

Drill instructors use the yellow footprints as an initial chance to make their ominous presence known by the recruits. They run and yell continually describing the rules and guidelines of training.

"It was really scary at first when they came out yelling. I just wanted to get away from them," said Kathleen Chiu, a counselor with Eisenhower High School,

Milwaukee. "I know now that he was just setting the tone for the rest of training."

Briefs describing the entire process from joining the Marine Corps to boot camp and graduation, and the Fleet Marine Force, were held for the educators to help inform them about Marines' lifestyles.

The educators also visited Weapons and Field Training Battalion, Edson Range, Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Calif., to witness weapons firing and field training. They also took some time to visit Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Calif., to witness the aviation aspects of the Marine Corps.

Educators leaving the depot today said that they are departing with a better understanding of the Marine Corps and the young men and women that embody it.



Educators eat lunch with recruits and discuss training and the Marine Corps.

Educators take the Basic Warrior Stance as they practice newly-learned martial arts techniques

